SENATE RESOLUTION 149

By Ramsey

A RESOLUTION to recognize and commend the Office of Legal Services of the 109th General Assembly.

WHEREAS, it is especially fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause in their deliberations to recognize and commend our esteemed legislative employees; and

WHEREAS, these individuals exhibit the highest levels of professionalism, determination, and dedication each and every day, often laboring long hours under trying conditions; and

WHEREAS, the Office of Legal Services for the General Assembly prepares and assists in the preparation of legislation and amendments, reviews legislation as to form and style, provides legal research staff services to committees, provides abstracts and summaries of proposed legislation, and drafts resolutions and proclamations; and

WHEREAS, its staff, under the able leadership of Director Karen Garrett and Director Doug Himes, includes Chief Deputy Attorney Thomas Tigue; Legislative Attorneys: Anastasia Campbell, Doug Garrett, Michelle Gaskin, Jess Hale, Joel Hayes, Joshua Houston, Elizabeth Insogna, Helen James, Sean McMinn, Megan Moore, Peter Muller, Matthew Mundy, Paige Seals, Jamie Shanks, and Bonnie Wood; Legislative Researchers: Laresha Bland, Jacqueline Nash, Laura Pendleton, Treva Rawlins, David Sprouse, and Gisele Tolbert; Executive Assistants: Brian Heath, Chris Higgins, Katie Pope, Julie Smith, Sandra Whitmore, and Tiffany Williams; Legislative Librarian Eddie Weeks; Session Researchers: Gian Coppola and Mark Minton; Proofreaders: Alicia Gurley, Jennifer Hensley, Gerilyn Lemons, and Leigh Yarbrough Ray; and Word Processors: Tamna Settles and Kristen Slusar; and

WHEREAS, the exemplary assistance provided by each of these legislative employees is essential to the efficient and orderly operation of the General Assembly, and it is fitting that we pause to express our deep appreciation for their professional and dedicated services; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we hereby honor and commend the employees of the Office of Legal Services for their professional approach to their respective duties, their numerous abilities, their willingness to work in difficult situations and circumstances, their dedication to the legislative process, and their loyalty to the members of the General Assembly.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation for each person named above, with this final clause omitted from such copies.